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SUBJECT : Operational
 Walk-in of Adolf KICHMANN's Son

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1. On 21 August 1962 an individual claiming to be the son of Adolf KICHMANN, walked into the U. S. Embassy in Buenos Aires and was interviewed first in the morning by an [] political officer and in the afternoon by [] in the presence of the [] official. This individual is about 5' 8" tall, very slight in build, almost completely bald, with protruding ears and dark eyes, apparent age in the early thirties.

Adolfo KICHMANN
 DOB: 2 March 1933
 POB: Berlin, Germany
 Resides in Cordoba, Argentina.

2. KICHMANN's only languages are Portuguese and Spanish with a strong Portuguese influence. He does not speak German or, he claims, English. The purpose of his appearance at the Embassy was to offer to produce the Nazi war criminal.

Dr. Josef MESSER

In return for documentation for himself under a changed name in some safe country. Dr. MESSER, as described by KICHMANN, conducted vivisectionist and sadistic experiments on the Jews and other inmates of Auschwitz concentration camp in Nazi Germany. As a boy, KICHMANN claims to have witnessed an experiment involving the injection of gasoline in the veins of a pregnant woman. KICHMANN said that MESSER was at present working in a hospital, under protection of the military, in a Latin American country. The impression of both interviewing officers was that this country could only be Paraguay, Bolivia, or Chile, and indications seem to point to Paraguay. KICHMANN said MESSER lived in Argentina until 1955, and in Brazil from 1955 - 1960.

3. KICHMANN claimed that he is in touch with MESSER by amateur radio Morse code transmission, and offered to kidnap the latter (with the aid of confederates) and bring him to some point where a U. S. official could satisfy himself that it was indeed MESSER.

4. For some years previous to April 1962, KICHMANN resided in Sao Paulo, Brazil. There he obtained, through bribery, a Brazilian passport which was issued to him on condition that it not be used except outside Brazil. He traveled with it to Argentina on the ship "Frederico C."

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